

YO999-247DIV

with the parent application are attached to a copy of the originally filed specification which are included herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

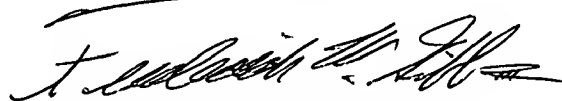
The above changes to the claims have been made to cancel claims being prosecuted in a separate application. This Preliminary Amendment leaves claims 21-26 pending in the present application.

The prior application is assigned of record to International Business Machines Corp., Armonk, New York.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,



Frederick W. Gibb, III
Registration No.: 37,629

Date: 7/2/01

McGinn & Gibb, PLLC
8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200
Vienna, VA 22182
(703) 761-4100
Customer No. 28211